

CITY OF MESA
HUMAN RELATIONS ADVISORY BOARD (HRAB)
VETERANS TASK FORCE TEAM (VTF)
November 14, 2012 Minutes

The Veterans Task Force of the City of Mesa met on November 14, 2012, at 5:30 p.m.
at the Mesa City Plaza, 20 E. Main St. Ste. 250.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Denise Heap
Rory Gilbert

MEMBERS ABSENT

STAFF PRESENT

Andrea Arenas

1. Call to Order.

Ms. Heap called the meeting to order at 5:32pm.

2. Items from citizens present.

There were no citizens who requested to speak to VTF.

3. Approval of minutes from the October 17th, 2012 VTF meeting.

A motion was made by Ms. Gilbert to approve the October 17th, 2012 minutes. Ms. Heap seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

4. Review, consider and take action on composing a list of individuals, organizations and their contacts to be invited to join task force.

Ms. Heap provided five contacts to be added to the invitation list. Ms. Gilbert stated that she will obtain contact information for the East Valley Veterans Education Center, also to be added to the list. Both parties reviewed the existing list and agreed to continue to add contacts as needed.

5. Review, consider and take action on meeting preparations for January 26th, 2013 VTF meeting.

Ms. Heap stated that she is working on the draft invitation. Ms. Arenas suggested whether to consider changing the date of the VTF meeting to a day during the week to better accommodate the working participants; however both members agreed to keep the existing date in order to better serve the community. Ms. Gilbert suggested inviting the Mayor, or someone from his office, to welcome members. Both members worked to create an outline for the meeting. Ms. Heap questioned whether beverages and snacks should be provided. Ms. Arenas confirmed that staff will provide such. Ms. Gilbert stated that she would like to incorporate a "sticky wall". Ms. Gilbert also recommended that contact should be made with minority groups. Both members agreed to determine facilitators at a later time pending further development.

6. Discuss, consider and take action on website/link for veterans on the City's website.

Ms. Arenas advised that the Public Information Office would be able to add a Veterans link to the City of Mesa webpage. Both members agreed to have the VTF work on resources for the link.

7. Discuss and consider future agenda items, meeting dates, announcements, other housekeeping.

The committee will meet again on November 28th, 2012 at 5:30pm.

8. Adjournment.

Meeting adjourned at 6:10pm.

Submitted By:



Ruth Giese,
Diversity Program Administrator